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Honorable Christine Todd Whitman Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee Teleconference Consultation on

the Agency's Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for

Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants

Dear Governor Whitman:

The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) of the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) met via public teleconference on February 6, 2003, to conduct a Consultation with staff from EPA's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA), Office of Research and Development (ORD), on EPA-NCEA's *Project Work Plan for Revised Air Quality Criteria for Ozone and Related Photochemical Oxidants*.

The SAB has developed the Consultation as a mechanism to advise the Agency on technical issues that should be considered in the development of regulations, guidelines, or technical guidance before the Agency has taken a position. A Consultation is conducted under the normal requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), which include advance notice of the public meeting in the *Federal Register*.

As is our customary practice, there will be no formal report from the CASAC or the SAB as a result of this Consultation, nor do we expect any formal response from the Agency.

Sincerely,

/Signed/

Dr. Philip K. Hopke, Chair Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee

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